

CHCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, January 26, 2017 at 7:00 PM

United Cerebral Palsy Headquarters

102 E. Mermaid Avenue

Meeting began at 7:05pm

PRESENT: Jason Bissonette, Mike Chomentowski, Dan Compton, Will Detweiler, Haviva Goldman, Andy Kite, Joyce Lenhardt, Laura Lucas, Karl Martin, Larry McEwen, Jenny McHugh, Jack McMeekin, Drew Mescher, Arianna Neromiliotis, Marilyn Paucker, Christopher Plant, Dan Pulka, Bob Rossman, Jean Wedgwood.

Regrets: Bob Boyer, Patricia Cove, Jason Huber, Richard Snowden

Special Speaker – The Board Welcomed Paula Czyzewski, CEO of UCP (United Cerebral Palsy)

Paul discussed their 4 Strategic Directions at UCP. Most important element (Learning Culture, Staff Development, Infrastructure, Advocacy). She expressed a desire to partner with the community.

Audience Attendees: Bill Valerio (Woodmere), Anne Standish (Woodmere), Martha Sharkey (Business District), Donald Tippet (Councilman David Oh's Office)

PRESIDENTS REPORT

Bylaws/ Special Meeting Upcoming. Please pass ballots to Ryan or drop off at office.

Motions for Bylaws:

Five motions were passed to help the board transition from old bylaws to new bylaws. These motions were vetted by the EC and sent to Board for consideration prior to the Board meeting. All motions were made by Dan Pulka and seconded by Jack McMeekin and all motions passed.

Motion #1. Our 2017 Annual Membership Meeting will be in June/July timeframe and will include revamping our Award Ceremony and Community Supper to be more relevant to the CHCA; Jean Wedgwood is appointed as chair for 2017 and make recommendation on new awards event and budget within next 30 days.

Motion #2. We will recommend Governance committee members by name at February Board meeting. Charging Dan Pulka and Will Detweiler to work together to present.

Motion #3 Appointed Directors (Institutional and Interlocking) now stated as 5 vs. 6 Appointed Directors (in total) will be adjusted in new elections cycle and we will clarify their terms.

FYI, Jenks/SCHA two-year term slated to end March (now June)

FYI, New Bylaws spells out how Appointed Directors are seated.

Motion #4 Terms for all current Board members are adjusted to the new start of a Fiscal year, thus those whose terms were expiring at end of March now end in June. One more absence will be permitted April-May-June for 2017.

Motion #5 Appointed Directors seats will be permitted to include an Alternate person for the same organization who may attend meetings when Appointed Director is unable to attend.

Board also took a straw poll related to Motion 5 to see if Alternate would be VOTING or NON-VOTING. 8 Board members voted yes, 8 voted no. 1 abstained. This guidance was asked for the Committee on Governance which will make a recommendation.

As an addition:

Joyce L. and Larry M. would like the Awards Committee to continually be involved with the community supper process.

PRESERVATION STEERING COMMITTEE

Joyce reported the first meeting occurred this morning (1/26). Stated the Conservancy received a grant from William Penn Foundation. Their goal is to get data and put it in a usable form. National Lands Trust and LUPZ will be having a joint meeting to facilitate discussion about the future of the community. The meeting is 6pm on 2/2/17 at the CH Hospital and both CHCA Board Members and CH Conservancy Board members are invited.

Ryan will send e-blast about 2/2 meeting LUPZ and clarify start time is 6pm.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Emily is now working for us 3 days a week. We are looking for Grant Writer. Please send recommendations. Also the office will be going through some renovations in the spring.

TREASURERS REPORT:

Karl presented a report on budgeting and prioritizing:

Fundraising, Attendance and Community Values were the key points in addressing priorities. Karl asked everyone to list their priorities on a sheet to see where they fall on a scale.

VP REPORTS:

VP OF OPERATIONS

Annual Appeal: Raised over \$32,000 thus far (off by about 3K and 20 less donors). They have Co-Chairs both doctors at the hospital. Both are making sizable donations. Story is running in LOCAL next week. Working with Business District on 2/25/17 Shop and Share. Dan asked each board member to donate to the Fund Drive so we can 100% board participation. Another way to help, Dan emphasized, was to invite friends to join them for lunch and shopping for the Shop and Share day.

Marilyn Paucker and Jack McMeekin stressed how important it is for 100% Board Participation in the fund drive. Marilyn cited many grant givers ask if we have 100% participation.

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE: 1523 Current members – Jack McMeekin will host a new prospect reception. He has already done one with his neighbors. Andy asked every Board member to give him 4-5 new

members for this type of reception. Ryan indicated that the dip in membership reflects not signing up enough new members. The retention rate for CHCA is outstanding.

VP OF PHYSICAL

Bob Rossman outlined that the Firehouse is planning on addition to the firehouse. No drawings or designs submitted yet. East Gravers Lane had their potholes fixed (though not well) and city is resurfacing in the spring. Larry discussed the Bells Mill East proposal for improvement. City says that will happen in 2018. City official will also look into traffic signage on West Bells Mill Rd.

Mike Chomentowski asked Larry and Joyce what will happen to old building. There was no consensus on what will happen with that. Larry is waiting on designs.

VP OF SOCIAL

Marilyn gave a report on the home invasion. Marilyn knows victim and the CHCA is organizing a Crime Prevention Forum on 2/7/17 at the Chestnut Hill Hospital.

NEW BUSINESS

ANNUAL CALENDAR:

Laura went through the annual calendar for approval.

Holiday House Tour is usually 1st Sat in December. The Holiday House Tour committee would like to move it to 12/9/17 (2nd week of December) to aid in ticket sales with more days of selling. The Parade would get bumped to 12/16. Bill Valerio and Anne Standish from Woodmere and Martha Sharkey of Business District pitched for 11/18 Circle of Trees Event. Board agreed to these dates. Calendar approved. First of our big events coming up is HOOPS Madness in March.

Larry Hochberger announced a District Attorney debate the 4th Thursday in February. It will be held at SCH. Brief Board Meeting prior. Jenny agreed to host dinner at 6pm for Board. Park in Willow Grove/ Cherokee Entrance. 4 of the 6 DA candidates are confirmed so far and we expect attendance from outside of 19118 to be strong. Andy Kite said he will have a membership table at this event.

Mike Chomentowski mentioned the departure of Noreen Spota. He wanted to thank her for her ten years of work. The Board also thanks Noreen Spota.

MEETING AJOURNED AT 8:40PM